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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS: ALLEGED PRC HEROIN IN GVN BURNING CEREMONY

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1. BELIEVE EMBASSY HAS IDENTIFIED QUOTE OFFICIAL UNQUOTE WHO GAVE UPI STRINGER INFORMATION THAT SOME OF HEROIN BURNED AT PUBLIC CEREMONY JULY 4 ORIGINATED IN PRC. HE IS A LOW LEVEL VIETNAMESE CUSTOMS EMPLOYEE. EMBASSY UNABLE TRACE SOURCE OF STORY ALLEGING BAGS HAD PRC WRITTEN ON THEM. DEA OFFICERS CLAIM BAGS WHICH ARE MARKED OFTEN BEAR CHINESE CHARACTERS OR MARKINGS. HOWEVER, BAGS HAVE NEVER BORNE LABELS OR MARKINGS INDICATING PRODUCT ORIGINATED IN PRC.

2. WE ARE CALLING GVN AGENT'S ERRONEOUS IDENTIFICATION OF EMBLEM ON BAGS (TWO LIONS AND A GLOBE) TO ATTENTION OF VIETNAMESE CUSTOMS, NATIONAL POLICE NARCOTICS BUREAU AND GVN PRESS OFFICER. SUSPECT CUSTOMS EMPLOYEE'S STATEMENT WAS NOT RPT NOT AUTHORIZED AS GVN AUTHORITIES ARE AWARE THERE IS NO EVIDENCE TO SUBSTANTIATE CHARGES OF PRC ENGAGING IN HEROIN TRAFFIC. APPLING

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